

Rain Prevents Grifftmen's Morning Game—Cinderpath Stars Clash Tonight

RAIN HALTS WORK ON AUGUSTA FIELD

Lame and Stiff Players Welcome Morning's Rest—May Play This Afternoon.

GRIFF AWAITING STRIKE NEWS

Hopes to Hear Something From Ban Johnson Regarding Railroad Trouble.

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

AUGUSTA, Ga., March 17.—A light rain caused Manager Griffith to call off the morning's military drill and practice session. He promised to have them on the field after lunch, providing the weather cleared sufficiently. The players welcomed the morning's rest, most of them being almost too lame and stiff to do much work.

Some time today Manager Griffith expects to hear from Ban Johnson, head of the American League, concerning possible action in case of a railroad strike effecting the road over which the Washington club must travel on their spring exhibition series. The Old Fox wired President Johnson last night asking for information and instructions.

Ban May Know Something.

"Johnson may have information of which I know nothing," explained Griffith. "Furthermore, he may desire that American League clubs remain at their camps instead of taking chances traveling.

"If the strike goes through, tying up certain roads for any length of time, all the spring interleague games may have to be cancelled. I am prepared for anything."

Corporal May Come Here.

Instead of having Corp. J. H. Dean, U. S. A., leave here with the Grifftmen, providing the latter start upon their exhibition trip next week, he may join the club in Washington on April 3. Manager Griffith has written to the War Department for the necessary permission.

Owing to train schedules, Corporal Dean would have little or no opportunity to drill his squad while hoping from town to town in the South on the way to Cincinnati. If Corporal Dean is allowed to remain with the Washington club until October, as Griffith wishes he will have the players under instruction each morning. Rifles will be loaned them from the District troops who went to the Mexican border, and they will receive all the lessons given the guardsmen.

Cripples For First Team.

When the two teams are split for the journey homeward, all those pitchers not in condition to do their best work will accompany the first team. Those ready to perform would be sent through the Carolinas and Virginia.

Manager Griffith wants to watch the reluctant himself. In this case, he is Walter Johnson, who will not climb the hill until next week; Charlie Jamieson and George Dumont, both of whom have lame arms. Harper will probably go with the first team, too, his arm not being ready.

All the new players are beginning to wonder what is going to happen to them. The squad is due to be cut next week. If present plans are impossible, the squad will be divided next Thursday. Mike Moran may be left here with the Sally League regulars if Cantillon does not want him. What players who are to be retained are known only to Griffith and he will not discuss it with anyone.

Crane Spikes Himself.

Sam Crane spiked himself in yesterday afternoon's slaughter of the innocents, but today was walking around without much trouble. Mike Martin applied first aid to the injured.

Joe Leonard's wounded thumb is rapidly getting better and he may be in the lineup almost any day now. Mike Martin's treatment has shown itself to be efficient and Leonard hopes to play ball Monday at the latest.

That the strain of the day's work is telling on the players was shown by the poor contest in the afternoon yesterday. Thomas alone of the four pitchers used was in condition. Flaherty has dropped fifteen pounds. He is weakened and so was censured today. Neither Ayers nor Johnson used anything but a slow ball and both were hammered.

Play Erratic Game.

The score of 33 to 4 indicates the lack of class in the game. Nine errors for the regulars, as record shows, was more the result of sheer physical fatigue than anything else. The eleven hits of the second team were in many cases real thumps, but barring Menck's home run over the wall, most of the extra base walks were aided by slow and erratic fielding. Lame arms made the throwing especially atrocious.

Mike Martin, mayor of Cherrydale, umpired four innings of the afternoon's battle, and was in constant turmoil. He gladly welcomed the injury to escape the attacks of the players. Morgan and McBride were particularly vicious in their verbal assaults upon the husky official.

Owing to the fatigued condition of many of the players only one session is scheduled for today. Traiger Martin believes that a rest will greatly aid everyone concerned.

The score by innings of yesterday afternoon's game:

R. H. E. Regulars..... 000 000 40—33 9 Yankees..... 006 240 11—35 12 0 Batteries—Flaherty, Jamieson, and Charley; Thomas, Ayers, and Harms.

College Crews Face Tests In Coming Season's Races

Ten Big Regattas Are Already Listed for Oarsmen, With Yale-Penn Race As Starter On April 6.

All of the leading Eastern colleges, which include rowing in the sporting curriculum, except only Syracuse University and the Naval Academy, have now finished their regatta schedules, and it has become thoroughly evident that the oarsmen have a very busy season of competition before them.

Other varsity rowing centers, however, have been active and Princeton, Cornell, Columbia, Pennsylvania, Harvard, and Yale will all enter eight-oared crews in dual, triangular, and championship regattas. Owing to the short season there will be several conflicting dates, which is unfortunate, since it will cause a distribution of interest on days when two contests of importance are to be rowed on widely separated courses.

Then season opens with the annual Pennsylvania-Yale race at Philadelphia, or Friday, April 6. A week later the Pacific Coast regatta will be held at Oakland, Cal., and will be followed with interest in the East.

In view of the fact that the winning crew is expected to row in the intercollegiate championship regatta on the Hudson, late in June.

On April 19 Princeton and Harvard will swing into action with a race on Carnegie Lake, at Princeton, to be followed on May 12 by two of the more important of the early spring regattas.

At Philadelphia the American Henley will be staged, with first and second college crews competing in a number of the Schuylkill events.

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TITLE TO SOUTHERN IN DUCKPIN LEAGUE

Defeats Maintenance of Way for Terminal R. R. Y. M. C. A. Championship.

Southern Railway is the champion of the Terminal Railroad Y. M. C. A. Duckpin League, by virtue of its 3 to 1 victory over Maintenance of Way last night in the annual post-season series between the winners of the first and final sections of the schedule.

Southern won the first game by 475 to 469, Mubre and Streiter coming through at the right time with some fine rolling. The second and third games went to Southern by heavier margins. Maintenance of Way took a brace in the third and won handily, 523 to 450.

Streiter, Best Roller.

Streiter was the star of the battle, with games of 101, 131, 113 and 87. Campbell, of Southern, and Williams, of Maintenance of Way, were other excellent performers.

Washington Centennial and National Lodge rolled an interesting match in the Masonic League. The first named easily won the first and third games, Penton and Webb contributing good scores, but National Lodge grabbed the second by a single pin, 527 to 526. Anchor Man Richards carrying the team to victory with a 129 count.

Torpedo Easy Winner.

Torpedo, leader of the Navy Yard League, scored a clean sweep over Erecting Shop, with all games well above 500. King and Fowler were the best rollers.

Dave McCarthy, pride of northeast, rolled up to his standard for the Rose-Land against the Hatterys, when his team won two out of three. He had scores of 129, 103 and 109.

SOUTHERN.

Streiter..... 101 131 113 87
Mubre..... 84 94 94 94
Stanley..... 84 94 94 94
Cayce..... 84 94 94 94
Campbell..... 84 94 94 94

Totals..... 475 469 523 450

MAINTENANCE OF WAY.

Fraser..... 129 103 109 87
Laskey..... 84 94 94 94
Strahorn..... 84 94 94 94
Weale..... 84 94 94 94
Williams..... 114 87 100 103

Totals..... 469 523 450 475

ANACOSTIA LEAGUE.

Seventeenth Street.

Dennison..... 84 94 94 94
Bennett..... 84 94 94 94
Vethenth..... 84 94 94 94
Dumny..... 84 94 94 94
Scherrer..... 84 94 94 94

Totals..... 426 458 458 426

GEORGETOWN COMMERCIAL LEAGUE.

Fraser..... 129 103 109 87
Laskey..... 84 94 94 94
Strahorn..... 84 94 94 94
Weale..... 84 94 94 94
Williams..... 114 87 100 103

Totals..... 469 523 450 475

NAVY YARD LEAGUE.

Torpedo..... 527 526 527 526
Erecting Shop..... 526 527 526 527
Gambler..... 526 527 526 527
Dumny..... 526 527 526 527
O'Malley..... 526 527 526 527
Fowler..... 526 527 526 527

Totals..... 426 458 458 426

BUREAU LEAGUE.

Electric..... 84 94 94 94
Damper..... 84 94 94 94
Keller..... 84 94 94 94
Williams..... 84 94 94 94
Kates..... 84 94 94 94
Palmer..... 84 94 94 94
Hornor..... 84 94 94 94

Totals..... 426 458 458 426

BOB THAYER'S GOSSIP ON SPORTING MATTERS

Within the next two or three weeks the sixteen major league managers will begin to use their pruning knives. Nearly two hundred players will be turned back to the minors or released outright. These men have been taken to the Southern training camps with speculation, but it is said that very few of them have shown the necessary quality. It is reported that many of the candidates need more experience in the minor leagues before they can be taken permanently into fast company.

Some of the recruits were drafted or "purchased" from the minors for the sole purpose of covering them up. They will be returned in accordance with private agreements with their former employers. When the sifting process ends the major leagues will carry about 375 men through the regular season, 375 in the American and 175 in the National, and the club owners are compelled to reduce expenses because of international complications.

It will be remembered that Washington fans put up a large howl when Griff failed to break his neck bidding for Gedeon. Consider the fact that most teams are actually made up of picking the good ones instead of landing big National and American stars. Griff's forecast must be commended.

Golf experts have started an interesting esthetic discussion which has for its subject a woman at the wind-up of a golf swing. One critic contends that no picture is more artistic or presents so many graceful curves. Another declares that a female golfer finishing a stroke is hardly a picture of beauty. He avers that if the golfer has adhered to the strict tenets of the game she should be standing pigeon toed and in an attitude far from artistic. We shudder to take sides.

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TWO SCHOOLS HAVE NO TEAM CAPTAINS

Leaders and Managers Ready for Season's Campaign. Other Gossip.

Eastern High School will probably go into the baseball series this season without a regularly elected captain, according to Coach William McCaffrey. The Easterners will be the second team among the schools to have a field captain for each game.

Western has had no election of baseball captain and the team will play through its schedule with a field captain for each contest.

Central will be captained by Jake Macdonald, Technical will have David Pfeiffer as its captain, while Business will be piloted by Frank Gerardi.

Managers of the various high school teams are as follows—Central, David Adams; Western, John Groves; Business, Frank Gerardi; Eastern, Howard Newman; Technical, A. H. Draper. Georgetown Prep will be managed by Percy Henry. Frank Newberry, coach of the Army and Navy Prep baseball team, handles the affairs of the Connecticut Avenue team. George Frank is manager of the Gonzaga College baseball team for this season. Coach Thomas Hudson, of St. Albans, is attending to the managerial duties for his team.

In addition to being captain and manager, Frank Gerardi is one of the three veterans on the Business team for this season. Ralph Wise and Elmer Payne are the others who are held over from last season as regulars.

Advisory marks are sent in Monday. Baseball teams are expecting to both gain and lose by the marks. Those who are deficient in scholarship standing will be ineligible for the greater part of the baseball series.

DOG SHOW HERE

April 23 and 24 Dates for Washington Kennel Event.

Washington will have a two-day dog show this spring. It will be held on April 23 and 24 at the Arcade.

The bench show committee of the Washington Kennel Club held a meeting last night and the dates of the coming show were formally announced as authorized by the American Kennel Club of New York.

Over \$1,500 in cash prizes has been offered and the list of specials will be most attractive. There will be cups and ribbons for the winners in the various classes and from reports from the dog centers the entry will be the largest in the history of the Capital club.

The premium list will go to press on the 15th and soon after will be ready for distribution. The club has already obtained offices in the Evans building, and within a few days will be ready to receive entries.

S. J. Field, chairman of the bench show committee, announces a list of fifteen judges and includes some of the most prominent in the United States.

Spratts Patent America will bench and feed the dogs and George F. Foley will have charge of all the details and superintendence of the exhibit.

POTOMACS CALLED OUT

Have Shore Time to Prepare for Navy Race.

With less than three weeks to prepare for the opening race of the season, with Navy at Annapolis, April 3, Coach Clarence Hecox, and Captain Powell, of the Potomac Boat Club, issued a call for candidates yesterday. The initial workout will be held Sunday morning at 10:30.

Potomacs expect to have a banner year. Five regattas probably will be participated in, including the National, if held in Philadelphia; Southern Rowing Association, in Baltimore; Bayonne Rowing Association, at Newark, N. J.; People's Regatta, at Philadelphia on the Fourth of July, and the Middle States Regatta.

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